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In re Application of:)
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 Sayoko Matsumoto et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
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 Application No.: 10/574,583) Examiner: Greene, Jamie M.
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 For: METHOD OF STRETCHING)
 SINGLE-STRANDED)
 NUCLEIC ACID, SINGLE-)
 STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID)
 STRETCHING SYSTEM AND)
 DNA CHIP)

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of a final action, a Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified by Section 1.17(p).

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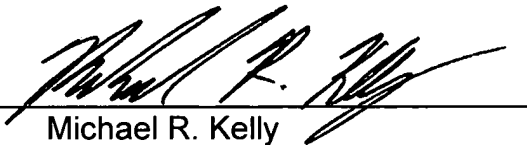
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